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In re Application of Haensler, et al. Application No. 08/836,576 Filed: September 9, 1997 Attorney Docket No. 0725.0100000

DE ISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed on March 28, 2002, pur to 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper response to the final Office action, mailed October 25, 2000, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. On April 24, 2001, petitioner betained a three month extension of time and filed a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA). Petitioner's CPA was treated as a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, because an earlier CPA had been filed on or after May 29, 2000. However, the continued to a structive RCE could not be entered because it was not accompanied by required by 37 CFR 1.114. Accordingly, the above identified application became abandoned on April 26, 2001. In May 4, 2001, petitioner was mailed a Notice of Improper RCE. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 29, 2001.

With the instant petition, petitioner paid the petition fee and made the proper statement of unintentional delay. The required reply in the form of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 was previously filed on June 21, 2001.

Receipt of the Revocation and Power of Attorney is acknowledged and made of record. Future correspondence concerning the above-identified application will be mailed to the above address of record.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600 for consideration of petitioner's RCE, filed April 2^{\prime} . 2001, and the submission, filed June 21, 2001.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703)305-0272.

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The earlier CPA was filed on August 31, 2001.